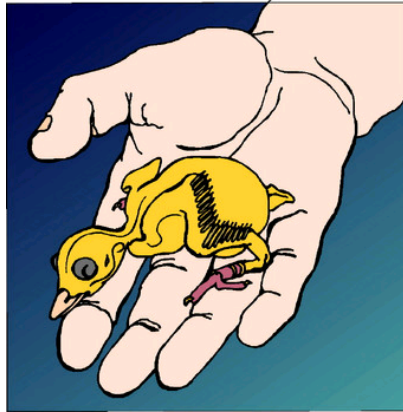


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SAVING A BABY BIRD



Tess and Cathy are friends. One day, Cathy came to visit Tess. They played in the yard.

“What’s that peeping sound?” Tess asked.

“Look!” Cathy said. “A baby bird!”

A baby bird had fallen out of a nest. “We can save it. We have to save it,” Tess said.

“We have to keep the bird warm,” Cathy said.

“We can make a nest out of these cotton balls and this box,” Tess said.

“Maybe some soft grass, too,” Cathy said. “Do you have any soft grass?”

They carefully put the bird in the small box with the cotton balls and the grass. Tess asked her mother if she would let them keep the bird. “Yes, you may,” her mother said. “I think we should take it to the vet to find out how to care for it.”

They asked the vet what to feed the little bird. They fed the bird with an eyedropper.

The girls took good care of the bird. It is grown up now, but it stays in the yard. It thinks the girls are its mothers. Every time they play in the yard, the bird visits them.

Name _____ Date _____

Answer the questions about *SAVING A BABY BIRD*

1. Where are Cathy and Tess when they find the baby bird?
 - a. At school.
 - b. At the playground.
 - c. At Tess's house.
 - d. At Cathy's house.

2. Why did the bird fall out of the nest?
 - a. The wind blew it out.
 - b. A cat scared it and it jumped.
 - c. There was an earthquake.
 - d. We don't know from the story.

3. How do they save it?
 - a. They make it a nest to keep it warm.
 - b. They take it to the vet.
 - c. They feed it with an eyedropper.
 - d. All of the above.

4. Why does the bird stay in the yard when it grows up?
 - a. It thinks the girls are its mothers.
 - b. It cannot fly.
 - c. It likes the nest they built it.
 - d. Tess has the nicest house in the neighborhood.

5. What would you do if you found a baby bird?

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Answers for *SAVING A BABY BIRD*

1. c

2. d

3. d

4. a

5. Answers will vary.